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LOK SABHA

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STUDY ON PROBLEMS OF GOODS SIDINGS IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have any proposal to sort out the problems of goods siding on priority basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways have conducted a study regarding the said problem and surveyed a number of Railway Stations in this regard;

(d) if so, the details and the findings thereof; and

(e) the further strategy adopted to address the said problem?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a)to(d): Railways monitor the condition of Goods Sheds on a regular basis and problems are attended to on priority. Periodic review is also being undertaken for assessment of handling capacity vis-Ã -vis the growth of traffic. Apart from the works sanctioned at divisional and zonal level in this regard, 70 works costing Rs.976.92 crore relating to improvement of existing Goods Sheds and development of new Goods Sheds have been sanctioned in Railway Budgets from time to time.

(e): In addition to the Railway Goods Sheds, with a view to augment the freight handling capacity, Railways have launched a Private Freight Terminal policy to attract private investment in setting up freight terminals.